

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-25 (canceled).

Claim 26 (currently amended): A ring shaped filter insert for a liquid filter having a filter housing for receiving the insert, the insert comprising:

a pin that projects eccentrically and runs parallel to a longitudinal axis of the filter insert and is integrally molded on a lower end disk of the filter insert, said pin being provided with a chamfer, and

a projection extending axially away from the pin and being formed on an end of the pin facing a ramp of a receiving area of the filter housing when the insert is inserted into the filter housing, said projection forming a contact zone of the pin.

Claim 27 (previously presented): The insert according to claim 26 wherein the contact zone of the pin is adapted to rest on a contact zone of the ramp running between two radially opposite guide contours formed in at least one section of the ramp containing a lower end of the ramp when the insert is inserted into the filter housing, and said projection is thinner in a radial direction than a radial distance between the guide contours.

Claim 28 (previously presented): The insert according to claim 26 wherein the contact zone of the pin is adapted to rest on a contact zone of the ramp running between two radially opposite guide contours formed in at least one section of the ramp containing a lower end of the ramp when the insert is inserted into the filter housing, and said projection is longer in an axial direction than an axial distance between the contact zone of the ramp end and an upper end of the guide contours.

Claim 29 (previously presented): The insert according to claim 28 wherein the projection further is thinner in a radial direction than a radial distance between the guide contours.

Claim 30 (withdrawn): The insert according to claim 26 wherein the pin is mounted on the lower end disk in a radially flexible manner.

Claim 31 (withdrawn): The insert according to claim 26 wherein the contact zone of the pin is disposed on a tapering end section formed on an axially free end of the pin.

Claim 32 (withdrawn): The insert according to claim 26 wherein the contact zone of the pin is designed as a spot or a line.

Claim 33 (withdrawn): The insert according to claim 26 wherein the pin has a rounded or inclined flank on an axially free end of the pin on a side adapted to lead when the pin slides along the ramp upon rotation of the insert about its longitudinal axis in the receiving area.

Claim 34 (withdrawn): The insert according to claim 26 wherein the pin is mounted so that it is axially adjustable on the lower end disk or the insert is adapted to be axially adjustable on a cover of the filter housing.

Claim 35 (withdrawn): The insert according to claim 34 further comprising spring means for applying tension to the pin or the insert toward the ramp.

Claim 36 (previously presented): The insert according to claim 26 further comprising a retaining means extending axially and radially in an interior space of the insert for mounting the insert on a cover of the filter housing for rotational movement of the insert about its longitudinal axis and for securing the insert axially on the cover.

Claim 37 (previously presented): The insert according to claim 26 further comprising an inner frame comprising a retaining means for mounting the insert on a cover of the filter housing for rotational movement on the insert about its longitudinal axis and for securing the insert axially on the cover.

Claim 38 (withdrawn): The insert according to claim 26 further comprising an upper end disk having a central orifice on whose edge are arranged a gasket and a ring-shaped collar, and a retaining means formed on the upper end disk for mounting the insert on a cover of the filter housing for rotational movement

of the insert about its longitudinal axis and for securing the insert axially on the cover.

Claim 39 (withdrawn) : The insert according to claim 38 wherein the retaining means is integral with the upper end disk.